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PATENT

Docket No.: 1290-7281

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Bouchard, et al. Group Art Unit: 1203

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For : NEW TAXOIDS, THEIR PREPARATION AND

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION CONTAINING THEM

COMMUNICATION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

sir:

Kindly consider the ensuing remarks and attached Declaration of François Lavelle.

REMARKS

In applicants' Preliminary Amendment of October 18, 1994, claim 102 was added to recite a further species claim directed to the compound N-debenzoyl-N-t-butoxycarbonyl-7-deoxy-8-desmethyl-7,8-cyclopropataxol. Said compound is described and supported by the above-subject application at page 4, lines 21-24 and in original claim 53.

Applicants stated in the Response to Restriction Requirement dated November 22, 1994, their intention to submit, if applicable, data to support a further count directed to the species of claim 102. That data has been evaluated, and it does indeed